



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
UNITED STATES ARMY INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY COMMAND
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY OFFICE
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April 17, 2001

Freedom of Information/
Privacy Office

Mr. Ernie Lazar
P. O. Box 423434
San Francisco, California 94142-3434

Dear Mr. Lazar:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of September 4, 2000, to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) requesting records concerning Mary M. Davison. The FBI, on March 30, 2001, forwarded your request to this office along with FBI records containing Army-originated information, retrieved from their files for a releasability determination. This request was referred through appropriate military channels and received in this office on April 11, 2001.

We have reviewed the referred Army-originated information and it has been determined that the information in the Army record no longer warrants security classification protection and is partially releasable to you. A copy is enclosed. Fees for processing this request are waived.

Since the release of the information deleted from this record would result in an unwarranted invasion of the privacy rights of the individual concerned, this information is exempt from the public disclosure provisions of the FOIA pursuant to Title 5 U.S. Code 552 (b) (7) (C).

The withholding of the information described above is a partial denial of your request. This denial is made on behalf of Brigadier General Keith B. Alexander, the Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command, who is the Initial

Mary Davison

We have been informed by the FBI that the information bracketed in black is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Title 5 U.S. Code 552 (b)(7)(C) of the FOIA

The withholding of the information by the FBI constitutes a partial denial of your request and you have the right to appeal this decision. If you decide to file an appeal, it should be sent to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, U.S. Department of Justice, Flag Building, Suite 570, Washington, DC 20530-0001, within 60-days from the receipt of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal." Please cite FBI FOI/PA #929,778 assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

If you have any questions concerning this action, please feel free to contact Mrs. Rampulla at (301) 677-2147. Refer to case #610F-01.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Russell A. Nichols".

Russell A. Nichols
Chief, Freedom of Information/
Privacy Office

Enclosure

Copies Furnished:

FBI (FOI/PA #929,778)
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ACSI-DSCO (13 Sep 65) 2d Ind (FOOD)
SUBJECT: DAVISON, Mary M. (Council for Statehood, P.O. Box 1131,
North Miami, Florida)

BQ, DA, OACoFS for Intelligence, Washington, D.C. 20310 80 SEP 1965

TO: Commander-in-Chief, United States Army, Pacific, ATTN: Assistant
Chief of Staff, G2, APO San Francisco 96338

1. The following information concerning subject is forwarded for your information:

a. Files of this office reveal that Mary M. Davison has been described as a top leader in segregation groups and an affiliate of the National States Rights Party (NSRP). (NSRP is composed of former members of the Ku Klux Klan and anti-semites opposed to all organizations and individuals who advocate integration.)

b. Davison formed the Council for Statehood (CFS), aka Freemen, in 1962 to acquaint leaders in state governments with the dangers of Federal intervention in areas formerly reserved to the states and to have the states convene constitutional conventions to resolve these problems and to regain State's rights. CFS's efforts are also directed towards acquainting people with the dangers of Communism. This organization reportedly has a nucleus of membership in southeastern Florida combined with group leaders throughout the United States.

c. CFS is associated with the Congress of Freedom, Inc. (a rightist group) in a plan to eliminate the Council of Foreign Relations through legislation, if possible, or by assassinations, if necessary. (The Council of Foreign Relations is a private organization composed of 1400 persons of prominence in government, industry, education and communications who are actively engaged in the study of American foreign policy). Further, more than 250 individuals alleged to be in a Communist conspiracy to overthrow the US Government are identified in five separate groups for possible assassination in a booklet, The Secret Government of the United States, written by Mary M. Davison.

d. A report in January 1963 stated that Major [] Fort Collins, Colorado, was the person who supposedly set up the military underground for CFS. A February 1963 report revealed that [] acknowledged that, at the request of Mary M. Davison, he agreed to develop a Colorado Committee of CFS for the purpose of disseminating Davison's letters to the Governor and General Assembly of Colorado.

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2. The Federal Bureau of Investigation has been furnished a copy
of this correspondence.

FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF FOR INTELLIGENCE

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(Sgd) ANDREW V. MUHAM
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